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SUBJECT: OECD/CSTP: DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR
OCTOBER 12-14, 1977 MEETING

REF: DRAFT AGENDA - SPT/A(77)3 AND ADDENDUM

1. SUMMARY. PERMDELS MET WITH DIRECTOR BECKLER
OCTOBER 3 FOR HOUR-AND-HALF RUN-DOWN OF AGENDA. END
SUMMARY.

2. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY OUTLOOK, SPT(77)15.
A FORUM DISCUSSION ON THIS SUBJECT IS PLANNED FOR ALL
DAY OCTOBER 12. JOHN MADDUX, FORMER EDITOR OF U.K.
REVIEW "NATURE", NOW PRESIDENT OF NUFFIELD FOUNDATION,
WILL ATTEND AS "RESOURCE", NOT TO ORIENT MEETING.

3. STATEMENT BY DIRECTOR. THIS WILL BE SHORT.
BECKLER EXPECTS THAT DEPUTY SECGEN ELDIN WILL ATTEND
TO ADDRESS COMMITTEE ON OECD ORIENTATION AS IT AFFECTS
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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

4. SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE NEW SOCIO-ECONOMIC
CONTEXT. CHAIRMAN OF EXPERT GROUP WILL REPORT TO
CSTP. IN RESPONSE TO SEVERAL QUESTIONS, BECKLER
STATED THAT HE WAS EXAMINING PROBLEM OF LINKING WORK
OF THE GROUP OF NON-GOVERNMENT EXPERTS TO THE PRE-

OCCUPATIONS OF MEMBER-COUNTRY GOVERNMENTS. THIS HAD BECOME PARTICULARLY NECESSARY IN VIEW OF THE INCREASED OECD ATTENTION TO THE OVERALL QUESTION OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, BOTH N-S AND E-W. A FORUM DISCUSSION IN THE CSTP, INVOLVING GOVERNMENT PARTICIPANTS AND MEMBERS OF THE EXPERT GROUP COULD BE ONE OF SEVERAL POSSIBLE MECHANISMS TO BRING THIS ABOUT.

5. THE U.S. MAY WELL FOLLOW-UP THE LAST POINT DURING THE DISCUSSION ON OCTOBER 13. MISSION FEELS, AS DO OTHER PERMDELS, THAT TIME HAS COME TO PRESS FOR MORE CLEARLY FOCUSED PROGRAM, WITH PARTICIPATION OF MEMBER-COUNTRY GOVERNMENTS. AUSTRALIAN PERMDEL IN FACT REMARKED THAT EXPERTS AND SECRETARIAT SEEMED ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT THE PROJECT BUT THAT HE COULD NOT PROJECT ANY ENTHUSIASM BACK TO HIS AUTHORITIES AS HE FELT COMPLETELY IGNORANT WITH RESPECT TO THE THRUST AND SCOPE OF WHAT WAS GOING ON. DR. GANLEY MAY WISH TO PREPARE STATEMENT AS APPROPRIATE TO HIGHLIGHT OUR INTEREST AND SUPPORT BUT COUPLED WITH A CONCERN THAT A PERCEIVABLE DIRECTION BE GIVEN TO THIS PRIORITY ITEM BETWEEN NOW AND SAY, THE SECOND MEETING OF THE CSTP IN 1978.

6. INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN EXTENDED ON BEHALF OF
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DR. GANLEY TO DELEGATION HEADS OF U.K., FRG, CANADA AND AUSTRALIA FOR OCTOBER 12 LUNCHEON. RESPONSES NOT YET RECEIVED.
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